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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Kornman *et al.*

APPLICATION NUMBER: 09/888,056 EXAMINER: Jeffrey N. Fredman

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FOR: SCREENING ASSAYS FOR IDENTIFYING MODULATIONS OF THE INFLAMMATORY OR IMMUNE RESPONSES

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed September 6, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed February 21, 2006. A Request for Continued Examination and the required fee are filed herewith. A petition for a three-month extension of time and the required fee are also filed herewith. With this extension of time, this Response is due on March 6, 2006. No additional fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 24299-519.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.